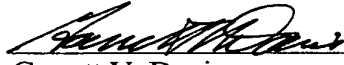


REMARKS

The present amendment amends the claims to eliminate the multiple dependent claims.
The pending claims in this application are claims 1-12, with claims 1 and 6 being independent.

In view of these amendments, prompt and favorable examination is requested.

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